

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1617

FOSTER ET AL.

Examiner: Javanmard, Sahar

APPLICATION NO: 10/528,688

FILED: MAY 17, 2005

FOR: SPHINGOSINE-1-PHOSPHATE RECEPTOR AGONISTS IN THE  
TREATMENT OF DEMYELINATING DISORDERS

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

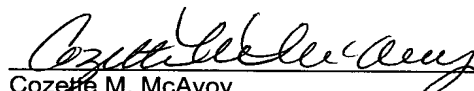
The Office Action of April 3, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 3, 2009. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$130 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp.  
Patents Pharma  
One Health Plaza, Building 101  
East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080

Date: *30 July 2009*

  
Cozette M. McAvoy  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 60,457  
Phone No. (862) 778-9273